



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 477

LCO No. 1951

Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE SETTLEMENTS FOR TOTAL LOSS VEHICLES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 700 of the general statutes be amended to require each
- 2 automobile insurer that deems a motor vehicle a total loss when the
- 3 vehicle is in the possession of a licensed dealer or repairer to (1) pay
- 4 any outstanding charges, including, but not limited to, storage and
- 5 authorized repair costs, and (2) remove the vehicle or tender title to the
- 6 dealer or repairer not later than ten days after the settlement of any
- 7 claim with the vehicle's owner and lien holders.

Statement of Purpose:

To require automobile insurers to promptly settle accounts and take possession of a vehicle that is deemed a total loss when the vehicle is in the possession of a licensed dealer or repairer.